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FPPC Chair responds to court ruling in *Camp v. Schwarzenegger*

Fair Political Practices Commission Chair Liane Randolph today issued the following statement in response to yesterday's (Jan. 26) ruling by Sacramento Superior Court Judge Loren McMaster in *Camp v. Schwarzenegger*:

"The implementation of Proposition 34 in 2001 and 2002 was a difficult and arduous process. The Commission had to make several close calls in deciding how to interpret the complex statutory scheme in Proposition 34."

"In December 2003, the Commission decided to review a number of the regulations implementing Proposition 34. The regulation at issue in the *Camp v. Schwarzenegger* case is currently scheduled for review by the Commission in August of this year. The December staff report scheduling the review noted, 'The Commission may want to revisit whether the \$100,000 limit applies to commercial loans to a candidate'."

"Unfortunately, we were not a party to the *Camp v. Schwarzenegger* case and did not have the opportunity to explain the reasoning behind the Commission's regulation. While we respectfully disagree with the court's conclusion that the regulation was not entitled to greater deference, we will take his order into consideration in reviewing the regulation."

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